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TITLE OF INVENTION

METHOD FOR PRODUCING FITTINGS FOR THE MECHANICAL PROCESSING OF A FIBROUS MATERIAL SUSPENSION

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information.

1. ☒ This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☒ This is an express request to promptly begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)).
4. ☒ The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (PCT Article 31).
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a. ☒ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☒ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☐ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)).
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
  - a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☒ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).  
"Unexecuted"
10. ☒ An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11 to 16 below concern other document(s) or information included:

11. Assignee: VOITH PAPER PATENT GMBH, of Heidenheim, GERMANY
12. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
13. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
14. ☒ A FIRST preliminary amendment.  
☐ A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.
15. ☐ A substitute specification.
16. ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
17. ☐ Figure of Drawing to be published
18. ☒ Other items or information:

International Application as published in Germany.  
 PCT/IPEA/416 (in German).  
 PCT/IPEA/409 International Preliminary Examination Report with two sheets of modified pages (in German).  
 PCT/IB/332.  
 PCT/IB/308.  
 PCT/ISA/210 (in German & English).  
 PCT/ISA/220 (in German).  
 PCT/RO/101 PCT Request (in German).  
 PCT/IB/304.  
 PCT/IB/301.  
 PCT/RO/105 (in German).  
 Partial English translation of PCT/IPEA/409 with two pages of modified sheets.  
 Cover Letter under 35 U.S.C. 371 AND 37 C.F.R. 1.495.  
 Cover Letter Submitting Amended Pages of Application.  
 Claim of Priority.

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1.5) **10/070431**INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.  
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P2199819. ☒ The following fees are submitted:

Basic National Fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)):

Search report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO. .... \$ 890.00

International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482). .... \$ 710.00

No international preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) but  
international search fee paid to USPTO(37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)). .... \$ 740.00Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor  
international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO. .... \$1,040.00International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) and all  
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Deposit Account No. 19-0089.NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and  
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**COVER LETTER ACCOMPANYING U.S. NATIONAL STAGE PATENT  
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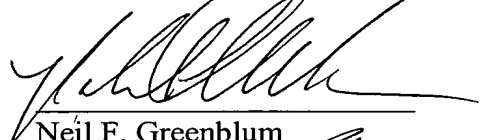
Enclosed is a new National Stage patent application for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office under 35 U.S.C. 371 and 37 C.F.R. 1.495. The Declaration and Power of Attorney attached thereto are in unexecuted form. A properly executed Declaration and Power of Attorney will be filed within the period of time set in a Notification to be mailed by the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Related to this, a correspondence address is provided in the unexecuted Declaration and Power of Attorney, and is as follows:

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